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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a one month extension of time to and including January 17, 2003 to respond to the Office Action mailed September 17, 2002.

In the event that a further petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted at this time, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to ensure that the above-identified application does not become abandoned.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 22-0185 in the amount of \$110.00 covering the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with

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any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 21581-00271-US. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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